



**Council Audit and Finance Committee Meeting
WEDNESDAY, December 12, 2012**

MINUTES

THE **AUSTIN CITY COUNCIL AUDIT AND FINANCE COMMITTEE** CONVENED ON WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 12, 2012 AT 2:05 P.M. IN THE BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS ROOM, FIRST FLOOR, ROOM 1101, CITY HALL, 301 W. 2nd STREET.

The meeting was called to order at 2:05 p.m. by Chair Sheryl Cole. In attendance were Council Member Bill Spelman and Council Member Kathie Tovo. Council Member Laura Morrison was absent.

Agenda Item #1: Citizen Communication

Brad Beam spoke in favor of the amendment for the Animal Advisory Commission bylaws (Item7).

Agenda Item #7: Discussion and possible action on proposed bylaw amendments for the Animal Advisory Commission (Office of the City Clerk)

Shirley Gentry, City Clerk, presented the amendment related to the frequency of the meetings for the Animal Advisory Commission. The amendment was accepted on Council Member Spelman's motion, which was seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Cole, with a 3-0 vote. Council Member Morrison was off the dais.

Agenda Item #2: Approval of the November 19, 2012 minutes

The minutes of the November 19, 2012 meeting of the Audit & Finance Committee were approved on the motion from Council Member Spelman, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Cole, with a 4-0 vote.

Agenda Item #3: Presentation and acceptance of the Austin Fire Department Worker Safety Audit (Office of the City Auditor)

Niki Raggi, Assistant City Auditor, presented the results of the audit, which was led by Kathie Harrison, Auditor-In-Charge over the project. Council Members had several questions for auditors and Rhoda Mae Kerr, Chief of the Austin Fire Department. Council requested that Ms. Kerr report the status of recommendation implementation in 6 months. The audit was accepted on the motion from Council Member Morrison, seconded by Council Member Spelman, with a 4-0 vote.

Agenda Item #4: Presentation and acceptance of the Citywide Contract Management Follow-Up Audit (Office of the City Auditor)

Walt Persons, Assistant City Auditor, presented the results of the audit, which was led by Neha Sharma, Auditor-In-Charge over the project. Council Members had several questions for auditors, Byron Johnson, Purchasing Officer, and Greg Canally, Deputy Chief Financial Officer. The audit was accepted on the motion from Council Member

Spelman, seconded by Council Member Morrison, with a 3-0 vote. Council Member Tovo was off the dais.

Agenda Item #5: Presentation and acceptance of the Zero Waste Advisory Commission Audit (Office of the City Auditor)

Rachel Snell, Assistant City Auditor, presented the results of the audit, which was led by Rebecca Takahashi, Auditor-In-Charge over the project. Council Members had several questions for auditors and Bob Gedert, Director of the Austin Resource Recovery. The audit was accepted on the motion from Council Member Tovo, seconded by Council Member Spelman, with a 4-0 vote.

Agenda Item #6: Presentation on Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) Exposure Draft “Accounting and Financial Reporting for Non-exchange Financial Guarantee Transactions” (Financial Services Department)

Elaine Hart, Chief Financial Officer, and Diana Thomas, Controller, made a presentation about the exposure draft and how it affects the City.

Agenda Item #8: Presentation and acceptance of proposed revisions to the FY 13 Strategic Audit Plan (Office of the City Auditor)

Ken Mory, City Auditor, presented the revisions to the Strategic Audit Plan. The revisions were accepted on the motion from Council Member Morrison, seconded by Council Member Spelman, with a 4-0 vote.

The meeting was adjourned at 3:40 p.m. by Mayor Pro Tem Cole without objection.